An ADDRESS,

To the Right Honourable Sir JOHN FLEET, *Kn.*
Lord Mayor of the City of London,

2. Nov. 1682.

OUR great *Metropolis*, like the *Patriark's* Wife,
Hath to Two different *Nations* given Life;
One to the greatest Blessings Born, and Nurst,
The Other in his Mother's *Womb* Accurst;
The Father, One of Num'rous *Israel*,
T'Other for *French* Pottage, their Birth-Rights sell;
For *Venison* Feasts, their City They'll betray,
And Basely give their Franchises away;
With Juries, packt for Violence, and Blood,
They Hunt, and Murther th'Innocent and Good.
'Twas Criminal, with them, not to be Ill,
And the Best Men were markt for Vengeance Bill.
The Vip'rous Brood, their Mother's Entrails Tear,
And Gnaw the *Heart* of Her that did them bear;
Right of *Election*, basely they decline,
And all her old Foundations Undermine;
With Debaucht Treats, th'Ensnare th'*Apprentices*,
And the Lewd Boys, against the Laws Address.
These, and th'Inferiour *Clergy* were led on,
Their Cue was *Jus Divine*, and Forty One:
The *Observator* in the Van did vapour,
'Twas He that was *Vir Georgio, Apse-Sequax*;
Till They had fill'd the *Government* with Tools;
Despis'd by *Wise Men*, and upheld by *Fools*.

To These, our Plagues, and Troubles owe their Birth!
These Wrecches, Shame, and Burthen of the Earth;
Who, tho' Just Heav'n at length have brought them under,
Like the fall'n Spirits, Fight against the Thunder;
Mean abject Souls, who obstinate in Ill,
Altho' they want the Pow'r, Retain the Will:
They know not how to Blush, tho' they despair,
Having in Four *Elections* lost the Chair;
All Good Men will suspect what such promote,
They're a Reproach to Him, for whom they Vote.
But leave 'em now, my Muse, to heal the Matter,
By Drinking *Healths* to *t'other side o' th' Water*.
And turn thine Eyes unto the Thronged Hall,
Freed from th'*Enchantments* of a *Packt Caball*;
The *Citizens*, from Armed Force, Reliev'd,
And their Condemned *Charters* all Repriev'd,
Sav'd, and Restor'd. What could our *Hearts* desire?
We now Triumph over our Fatal *Fire*,
And gratefully Rejoyce in *KING* and *Mayor*,
Since Right *Election* fills the Throne and Chair.
What Land besides can such great Blessings prove?
W'are Rul'd by those our selves are bound to Love:
Ages shall speak the Praises of Our *KING*,
Who, venturing All, did Our Deliv'rance bring:
He, who Our Antient *Birth-Rights* did *Restore*,
And Fights our *Battles* on a Foreign Shoar.

Thrice

Thrice Happy *England*! Guarded from Alarms,
Rescu'd from Foreign Arts, and Foreign Arms;
The great Fatigue, thy Glorous *KING* sustains,
Defends Thee from *French Councils*, and *French Chains*.
You, Mighty *Magistrate*, must next take place,
Who, with wise Conduct, your great Power Grace;
True to His Interest that fills the Throne,
Your *Citizens* may call their Lives their Own;
May *London*'s Style in Glorious Letters swell,
And on Her Gates, full write S. *P. Q. L.*
We from Your Equal Management, may hope
T'have Vice depress't, and Virtue lifted up;
Nor fear We now the giving up of *Charters*,
We dread not staking up the Heads of *Martyrs*;
Or Loading *Bloody Gates* with *Loyal Quarters*.
No *Packing Juries* from our Worthy *Sh'riffs*,
Nor Good Men *Sworn* to *Death* by Rogues and Thieves.
Canst tell, O City! what thy Blessings are,
When a wise *Senator* supplies thy Chair?
Look but a few Years back, Admire, Adore
That Hand that did thy Guardian Laws Restore:
Now, Sir, Your *Citizens*, who have You chose,
Under their *KING*, in you their Trust Repose;
The Favour you receive from the Best Pair,
That e're Adorn'd the Table of *Lord Mayor*;
Those Votes, that Royal kindness, plainly prove,
You have your *Peoples* Honour, and your *Prince*'s Love:
Crown'd with that Glorious Pair, your Pompous *Hall*,
Defies *Versailles*, and the Grand *Seragle*:
Those *Dens of Tyrants*, Curst by all, are Good,
Founded on nought but *Violence*, and *Blood*.
Rejoyce, O! *London*! Where at once are seen,
Of *Kings* the Valiantest, and the Fairest *Queen*;
So All-Divine, so Condescending too,
They scatter Blessings where soe're they go.
Whole Legions Throng, to see the Royal Pair,
And with glad Acclamations fill the Air;
Profusions of Pomps, and Triumphs Crown,
The great Appearance, and the Joyful Town,
Have *Prince*, and *Patriot*, they are proud to own.
Now, would I have the *Jacobites* true *Blue*,
Those Yelping Brats of Trusty *Roger*'s Crew;
Wh'Oppos'd your Interest in the Common *Hall*,
And for Succession of the Chair did Bawl;
Lay by their Heats, Succumb, and not Biggotted,
Mind *Jeffreys*, *I--d*, and some others noted,
Whose Memories, are with just *Odium* Blotted;
Whilest Restor'd *London* shall such Patriots choose,
As Scorn Her *Charters*, or to give, or Lose;
May She still Glory in her *King* and *Mayor*,
A *Blessing* to the *Throne*, an Honour to the *Chair*.

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